

# NGEN

## New Generation Education Network

Proposal	Business Requirements	Results
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• NGEN seeks to make fee-based educational services on the Internet free to children of CalWORKs families.</li> <li>• NGEN proposes to develop an Internet “need certification site”. This site will permit CalWORKs parents to self-identify on-line regarding their assistance status. The certification site will confirm CalWORKs eligibility and then grant a free pass to provider services.</li> <li>• NGEN has a broad base of local and national support. (see Proposal for NGEN Advisory Board and letter of support from Delaine Eastin, State Superintendent of Public Instruction, CA Department of Education)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• NGEN will provide the necessary hardware and software for NGEN services.</li> <li>• The system will include a computer, web server, and application to manage forms, display legal notices and errors, and provide the free passes. CDSS and HHS will manage the system.</li> <li>• The web server will query for CalWORKs eligibility using the SAWS Information System (SIS) and the Statewide Client Index (SCI) to match the family and children associated with the parent’s social security number with the client identification number.</li> <li>• NGEN is responsible for all security of this system and will meet state security criteria.</li> <li>• Providers receive only a yes/no for “need certification” to permit free access to their Internet educational services. No names, addresses or other client information is received.</li> <li>• NGEN ensures that it will provide materials to publicize this service in CWDs and a toll-free number for clients to call for questions or problems to minimize any county costs or increased workload.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Children of CalWORKs families will receive fee-based educational services on the Internet at no cost.</li> <li>• Confidentiality is maintained as CalWORKs recipients are permitted under regulations (Sec 19-005) to have verification of eligibility released to them. Clients will be providing an “on-line” release of information that will confirm their CalWORKs eligibility to providers.</li> <li>• Discussions between CDSS, HHSDC, and DHS may be necessary to facilitate vendor involvement with the SIS and SCI.</li> <li>• Counties will be consulted regarding the project.</li> </ul> <p><u>Fiscal Impact:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• HHSDC will incur coding development costs estimated at \$375,000 and maintenance costs estimated at \$20,000/yr.</li> <li>• HHSDC will incur costs for transactions for SIS/SCI queries and communication estimated at \$120,000/yr.</li> </ul>